

Foster Care FACTS

Based on all children in OOHC on February 3, 2008, Source TWS-W58

Statewide Total

Demographic Indicator	Number	Percent within State
Total Number of children in OOHC with active placements (note E)	7120	
Placed in PCC Foster Homes	2188	30.7
Placed in PCC Residential	1299	18.2
Placed in Relative Placement	446	6.3
Total Number placed in DCBS Foster Homes all types (note A)	2799	39.3
Placed in DCBS Basic and Advanced Foster Homes	2420	34.0
Placed in DCBS Care Plus or Medically Fragile Homes	211	3.0
Placed in DCBS Adoptive Home	168	2.4
Placed in Detention center	27	0.4
Placed in independent living or education setting	129	1.8
Placed in psychiatric hospitals	232	3.3
Placed out of state (note B)	158	2.2
Age at First Entry into Foster Care		
Age at First Entry into Foster Care: Less than 1 year	1156	16.2
Age at First Entry into Foster Care: 1 to < 3 years	740	10.4
Age at First Entry into Foster Care: 3 to < 6 years	1026	14.4
Age at First Entry into Foster Care: 6 to < 12 years	1827	25.7
Age at First Entry into Foster Care: 12 to < 18 years	2371	33.3
Demographics		
African American Children	1474	20.8
Children with a Goal of Adoption	1989	32.1
Children with a Goal of Reunification (note C)	3155	51.0
Children with a Goal of Emancipation	508	8.2
Average Age of Entry into foster care	8.1	
Average Age Now	10.9	
Average # Months in Care at this point in time	25.2	
Average Percent of Life in Care	28.1	
Average Number of Days to reenter for those with any reentry	590.7	
Average Number of Placements this removal episode	3.3	
Cost Data		
Number of Children with Per Diem payments listed	6,019	
Average Cost Per Day for child with Per Diem payments	\$79.46	
Average cost per child for average months in care (note D)	\$60,927.73	

A. Includes DCBS adoptive homes, basic and advanced, medically fragile homes.

B. Includes relative placements, adoptive homes, treatment facilities, and homes just over the border.

C. Other goals include placement with relatives, planned permanent living or the goals have not been determined.

D. Total costs per child will be higher because children in this number have not exited care.

E. Includes 48 Statewide duplicate placements as 'bed held' during hospital, detention or other short term stays.